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342 ILLEGAL ALIENS DEPORTED BY ICE'S ATLANTA OFFICE IN JULY

ATLANTA—U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention and removal officers here deported 342 criminal and non-criminal aliens during the month of July.

All of those removed had been ordered to leave the United States by immigration judge but had refused to do so. Those deported represented the following countries: Mexico, Honduras Guatemala, Pakistan, El Salvador, Jamaica, Trinidad, Philippines, and Turkey.

Of those removed, at least 300 had criminal histories that ranged from driving under the influence (DUI) and rape to drug trafficking and robbery.

“We will continue to fulfill our congressional mandate by deporting those ordered removed from the country, especially those who have committed egregious offenses against humanity,” said John Mata, field office director for detention and removal in Atlanta. “Every deportation helps to restore integrity to our nation’s immigration system.”

The Atlanta field office has jurisdiction over Georgia, Puerto Rico, North and South Carolina and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

ICE’s Atlanta field office has removed 1,810 aliens since the beginning of Fiscal Year 05; 1082 were criminals.

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